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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA INVITED TO ATTEND COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED  
CONFERENCE

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL  
ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS, GUSTAVO SANTIZO, SHOWED EMBOFF  
JULY 22 DIPLOMATIC NOTE RECEIVED FROM CANADIAN EMBASSY  
JULY 21 INVITING GUATEMALA TO TRANSMIT THROUGH CANADIAN  
EMBASSY NAMES OF "OFFICIALS AND DELEGATES INCLUDING  
OBSERVERS AND INVITED DELEGATES" THAT WILL ATTEND NON-  
ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN COLOMBO AUGUST 16-19.

2. SUBSEQUENT CALL TO CANDIAN EMBASSY ELICITED INFO  
THAT SRI LANKA REUQUESTED THAT CANADA, AS COMMONWEALTH  
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COUNTRY, TRANSMIT SIMILAR MESSAGES TO LARGE NUMBER OF

COUNTRIES (PRESUMABLY ONLY THOSE INVITED TO CONFERENCE IN WHICH SRI LANKA LACKS DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION). WORDING OF NOTE IS DELIBERATELY VAGUE AND EACH COUNTRY IS EXPECTED TO KNOW WHETHER IT IS BEING INVITED TO ACCREDIT DELEGATES OR OBSERVERS.

3. WHILE SANTIZO WAS NOT CERTAIN, HE BELIEVES GUATEMALA IS AT LEAST BEING INVITED TO SEND AN "OBSERVER", WHICH IT PLANS TO DO. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF VAGUE WORDING IN DIPLOMATIC NOTE POSSIBILITY CANNOT BE RULED OUT THAT GUATEMALA IS STILL IN THE CATEGORY OF "INVITED GUEST," AS IN 1975, WITHOUT SPEAKING PRIVILEGES. IN 1975 GUATEMALA SENT DR. LUIS AYCINENA, THIRD-RANKING OFFICIAL IN FONOFF, TO LIMA CONFERENCE BUT HE FAILED IN EFFORT TO CHANGE STATUS FROM INVITEE TO OBSERVER SO THAT HE COULD ADDRESS CONFERENCE ON BELIZE. NO DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN YET ON WHO WILL BE SENT TO COLOMBO.

4. COMMENT: IF BELIZE SEEKS PASSAGE BY NAC OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ITS SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE, AS IN 1975, GUATEMALAN OBSERVER WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SEEK FLOOR TO OPPOSE IT AND URGE THAT NAC LIMIT ITSELF TO SUPPORTING CONTINUATION OF CURRENT UK-GUATEMALA-BELIZE NEGOTIATIONS.  
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